

## Data Source Documentation

<b>Indicator</b>	Cervical cancer screening, women 18+
<b>Demographic Group</b>	Wisconsin women 18 years or older who have not had a hysterectomy (i.e., who have an intact cervix)
<b>Numerator</b>	The number of women (18+) in the Wisconsin Behavioral Risk Factor Survey (BRFS) sample who reported having a Pap smear in the past three years, excluding those who reported having had a hysterectomy.
<b>Denominator</b>	The total number of women (18+) in the Wisconsin BRFS sample for the relevant year or years, excluding those who reported having had a hysterectomy.
<b>Details about Data Item</b>	<p>In the tables, the 95% confidence interval (the “+/-“ column) indicates the range in which 95 of 100 identical surveys would estimate the percent of women who received a Pap smear in the past three years. Add the confidence interval to the estimated percent to find the high boundary and subtract it to find the low boundary. Smaller numbers of cases in the denominator produce larger confidence intervals. Results shown in the tables are weighted to represent the overall population of adults in Wisconsin.</p> <p>BRFS questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “A Pap smear is a test for cancer of the cervix. Have you ever had a Pap smear?”</li> <li>• “How long has it been since you had your last Pap smear?”</li> </ul>
<b>Other Data Information</b>	<p>The Wisconsin Behavioral Risk Factor Survey is a sample survey conducted by the Bureau of Health Information and Policy in conjunction with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The annual number of cases is currently approximately 4,000 and has ranged from approximately 2,700 to 3,500 in recent years. Weighted BRFS data are considered representative of the Wisconsin adult population living in households with telephones. The CDC calculates the weights using Wisconsin population data and provides them to BHIP.</p> <p>The table by race and ethnicity shows estimates using combined years of data to yield a minimum of 100 cases per group.</p>
<b>Data Source</b>	<p>Wisconsin Behavioral Risk Factor Survey, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services.</p> <p>The BRFS is an ongoing probability survey conducted by telephone and carried out in conjunction with the CDC. Each survey year begins on January 1 and ends on December 31.</p>
<b>Additional Information</b>	The CDC Web site provides substantial information about the BRFS at both the national and state levels, including prevalence and trend data and historical question information. Information about the Wisconsin BRFS is also available at <a href="http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/stats/healthsurveys.htm">http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/stats/healthsurveys.htm</a> .

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